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## ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 09-Apr-11(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	161,515 (2)	161,724
Light hens	1,531	1,190
Heavy hens	1,370	1,317

#### U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA \*\*\*DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING\*\*\*

NOTE:	**** WEEK	ENDING 02-Apr-11	THOUSAND HEAD) ****
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	409	25	434
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	426	0	426
Same week yr ago	117	0	117
To-date/2011*	5,042	121	5,163
To-date/2010*	4,227	80	4,307

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,469	1,326	2 <b>,</b> 795
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,916	1,499	3,415
Same week yr ago	1,751	1,230	2,981
To-date/2011*	23,692	19,492	43,184
To-date/2010*	23,203	17,354	40,557

## LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION WEEK ENDING 02-Apr-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young	Light	Heavy	Total	
	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks
		Thousands			
Head	162,524	1,060	1,301	2,361	431
Avg Wt	5.77	3.31	8.12	5.96	6.86
Head sltr comparis	ons				
Last week	158,041	1,490	1,499	2,989	443
Same wk yr ago	156,199	1,634	1,230	2,864	389
Avg Wt	5.55	3.16	7.81	5.16	6.89
To-date/2011*	2,075,312	18,650	19,371	38,021	5,833
To-date/2010*	2,059,995	18,976	17,274	36 <b>,</b> 250	5,313

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.0 million head, or 1.9 million more than estimated available.

## YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 02-Apr-11

	A	В	C	D	
	4.25 lbs	4.26 -	6.26 -	7.76 lbs	
	& down	6.25 lbs	7.75 lbs	& up	Total
Head	40,057	65,845	29,367	27 <b>,</b> 255	162,524
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.47	6.75	8.30	5.77
% of total /1	25%	40%	18%	17%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	42,231	66,446	27 <b>,</b> 592	21,772	158,041
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.46	6.78	8.27	5.64
% of total /1	27%	42%	17%	14%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,464	72 <b>,</b> 485	26,512	19 <b>,</b> 738	156,199
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.29	6.53	8.68	5.55
% of total /1	24%	46%	17%	13%	100%
To date/2011*	501,649	928,409	338,885	306,369	2,075,312
To date/2010*	522,161	1,017,758	263,378	256 <b>,</b> 698	2,059,995

<sup>/1</sup> May not total to 100% due to rounding.

#### Weight Class Description:

- (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.
- (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.
- (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.
- (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

## LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 02-Apr-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys	
Head	1,692	2 <b>,</b> 558	45	26	4,321	
Avg Wt	16.89	39.20	26.78	26.15	30.26	
Head sltr comparisons						
Last week	1,799	2,543	34	7	4,383	
Same wk yr ago	1 <b>,</b> 673	2,344	7	1	4,025	
Avg Wt	17.42	39.02	22.40	54.18	29.16	
To-date/2011*	22,631	32,825	293	106	55 <b>,</b> 855	
To-date/2010*	23,109	32,606	301	91	56,107	

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year-to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (404) 562-5850.

<sup>/2</sup> Comparable week.